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MEMORANDUM FOR: SIG(I) Committee on Requirements and Priorities

FROM:

Executive Secretary, SIG(I)

SUBJECT: Minutes of 10 August 1983 SIG(I) Committee on Requirements
and Priorities MeetingMinutes of Meeting

The Chairman, Mr. John McMahon, opened the meeting by stating his view that the Intelligence Producers Council (IPC) had produced a good NITs package for consideration. He said however that he is not yet satisfied with the process. In this regard, he noted the two-pronged approach in preparing the NITs for the next fiscal year: one approach (a compilation of entries by each organization) requested by Mr. Fred Ikle, Under Secretary of Defense (Policy); and an alternative approach (a consolidation of entries) devised by the IPC. In the discussion that followed, it was agreed that the IPC (consolidation) approach be adopted.

In further discussion, it was noted that the NIT inputs submitted this year are more specific and more detailed than those in recent years, and

groups. The Chairman expressed interest that no regional topics were submitted. Mr. Robert Kimmitt, Executive Secretary of the National Security Council, expressed similar interest, especially in regard to information gaps on. In response, Mr. Hugh Montgomery, Director, State/INR, explained State's attempts at specificity in this area including a survey on now under way; he said this is due in part to State's lack of substantive reporting officers.

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The Chairman asked if any member of the Committee had objection(s) to the NITs as presented. No objections were made; however, Mr. Kimmitt stressed the need for emphasis on CI and on items that would serve the President directly in his meetings with foreign heads of state, including trips abroad (e.g., Fall trip to Asia). He noted particularly in regard to the Asian trip the importance of information on the POW/MIA problem. The Chairman agreed and

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said that the POW/MIA problem is a highly important issue for every U.S. department and agency, and that we have a deep obligation to American Servicemen and their families to do all we can -- to follow-up on every lead we receive.

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Referring to the PROPOSED NIT SCHEDULE AND ACTIONS, Mr. Ron Stivers, Defense, requested that Late April be changed to Early April concerning the call for inputs to new NITs. He said this would allow better scheduling at Defense. The Committee concurred. Mr. Stivers also recommended that, in the FOREWARD to the NITs document, reference be made to DCID 1/2 and its relevance to the NITs process; the Chairman agreed.

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The Committee concurred in the NITs as proposed for the next fiscal year with the changes discussed. The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1410 hours.

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Committee on Requirements and Priorities
National Intelligence Topics

<u>ATTENDEES:</u>	Mr. John McMahon, DDCI (Chairman)
NSC	Mr. Robert Kimmitt
State	Mr. Hugh Montgomery
Defense	Mr. Ronald Stivers
Treasury	Mr. John M. Walker, Jr.
Commerce	Mr. Olin Wethington
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